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BUREAU OF CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection (Bureau), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3507(c)(2)(A)). The Bureau is soliciting comments regarding the information collection requirements relating to the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act that have been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget for review and approval. A copy of the submission may be obtained by contacting the agency contact listed below.

DATES: Written comments are encouraged and must be received on or before [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION OF THIS DOCUMENT IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER] to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by OMB number 3170-0016, by any of the following methods:

- *Agency Contact:* Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (Attention: PRA Office), 1700 G Street NW, Washington, DC, 20552; (202) 435-7741: CFPB_Public_PRA@cfpb.gov.
- *OMB Reviewer:* Shagufta Ahmed, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503; (202) 395-7873.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information should be directed to Joseph Durbala, (202) 435-7893, at the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau,

(Attention: Joseph Durbala, PRA Office) 1700 G Street, NW, Washington, DC 20552, or through the internet at CFPB_Public_PRA@cfpb.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act (Regulation X) 12 CFR Part 1024.

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Abstract: Certain disclosures are required by the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act (RESPA) of 1974, as amended by Section 461 of the Housing and Urban-Rural Recovery Act of 1983 (HURRA), and other various amendments. Required disclosures include: The Good Faith Estimate (GFE), the Special Information Booklet, the HUD-1/HUD-1A Settlement Statements, the Servicing Disclosure Statement, and, as applicable, the Servicing Transfer Disclosure. Other disclosures may be required under certain circumstances and include: The Initial Escrow Account Statement, the Annual Escrow Account Statement, the Affiliated Business Disclosure, and the Consumer Disclosure for Voluntary Escrow Account Payments. This collection helps to protect consumers in several respects. The Special Information Booklet helps to protect consumers from unnecessarily high settlement costs by providing information about the nature and cost of real estate settlement services. The GFE and HUD-1/HUD-1A Settlement Statements enable consumers to compare estimated settlement costs with actual settlement costs. The Affiliated Business Disclosure helps to protect borrowers from unnecessarily high settlement service charges due to the settlement service provider's use of an affiliated provider. Disclosures related to the servicing of the mortgage loan help to protect consumers if the servicing of the loan could be or is transferred. Disclosures related to consumers' escrow accounts help to protect them from unnecessarily high escrow charges.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for profits.

Estimated Number of Responses: 149,590,000.

Estimated Time Per Response: 7 Minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 17,183,000.

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